[UV PHOTODETECTOR]

Abstract

An UV photo-detector having a GaN-based interlayer is provided. Because of the excellent insulating property of the GaN-based interlayer and an excellent Schottky contact between the GaN-based interlayer and electrodes of the device, the leakage current of the device is substantially reduced. For example, the material of the GaN-based interlayer includes Al $\lim_{x \to y} \operatorname{Ga}_{1-x-y} N$, in which $x \ge 0$, $y \ge 0$, $1 \ge x + y$. The GaN-based interlayer described above is manufactured without requiring ahigh temperature treatment process after the epitaxy process, and thus the process flow is simplified. Therefore, an UV photodetector having an excellent performance is obtained.